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Mr. Siddharth S. Shastri
Director of Product Development
Jarrow Formulas, Inc.
1824 South Robertson Boulevard
Los Angeles, California 90035-4317

Dear Mr. Shastri:

This is in response to your letter of July 7, 1998 to the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) pursuant to 21 U.S.C. 343(r)(6) (section 403(r)(6) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (the Act)). Your submission states that Jarrow Formulas, Inc. is making the following claims, among others, for the product "Cran Clearance:"

### L-Glutamine 1000

"increased demand for glutamine during stress associated with exercise, illness or trauma"

### Joint Builder

"People with osteoarthritis are often deficient in vitamin D3"

21 U.S.C. 343(r)(6) makes clear that a statement included in labeling under the authority of that section may not claim to diagnose, mitigate, treat, cure, or prevent a specific disease or class of diseases. The statements that you are making for these products suggest that they are intended to treat, prevent, or mitigate diseases, namely, general illness and trauma and osteoarthritis. The claims made for these products do not meet the requirements of 21 U.S.C. 343(r)(6). These claims suggest that these products are intended for use as drugs within the meaning of 21 U.S.C. 321(g)(1)(B), and that they are subject to regulation under the drug provisions of the Act. If you intend to make claims of this nature, you should contact FDA's Center for Drug Evaluation and Research (CDER), Office of Compliance, HFD-310, 7520 Standish Place, Rockville, Maryland 20855.

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Please contact us if we may be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

James T. Tanner, Ph.D. **Acting Director** Division of Programs and Enforcement Policy Office of Special Nutritionals Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition

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## Jarrow FORMULAS, INC™

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Please be advised that Jarrow Formulas, Inc. is marketing a product containing a "Structure and Function" statement on the label. According to the notification requirements set forth by the DSHEA (Dietary Supplement Health and Education Act, 1994) legislation, please be advised of the following:

Name of Product: Joint Builder, 120 Quik-Solv™ Tablets

Active Ingredient(s): Glucosamine Sulfate, MSM (Methylsulfonylmethane), Manganese (as Gluconate), Vitamin C (Calcium Ascorbate), Vitamin D3 (Cholecalciferol).

Claim(s): "Glucosamine Sulfate Formulation for Support of Cartilage and Joint Function." Glucosamine Sulfate is stabilized using potassium chloride (KCI). In the body, glucosamine is an amino sugar synthesized from an amino acid (glutamine) and a carbohydrate (glucose). Glucosamines are subunits of glycosaminoglycans (GAGs) such as those found in synovial fluid, which lubricates joints. MSM is a sulfur donor which is essential to the formation of the chondroitin sulfates, Vitamin C and manganese are required for synthesis of collagen and cartilage. People with osteoarthritis are often deficient in Vitamin D3.

The following disclaimer appears on the label: These statements have not been evaluated by the Food and Drug Administration. This product is not intended to diagnose, treat, cure or prevent any disease.

These claims are limited to, and a result of, what we believe to be a substantial body of scientific evidence supporting the functional role of these nutrients. A compendium of relative published research substantiating the above statement(s) is on file at the corporate office.

Respectfully submitted,

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Name of Product: L-Glutamine 1000, 100 Quik-Solv™ Tablets

Active Ingredient(s): L-Glutamine

Claim(s): "Supports Protein Synthesis." Glutamine is the most abundant amino acid in the body and is involved in many metabolic processes. Skeletal muscles are the primary sites of glutamine concentration. There is an increased demand for glutamine during stress associated with exercise, illness or trauma. Glutamine supplementation supports protein synthesis as well as the rate of glycogen production (by serving as a carbon donor). Glutamine also seres as a fuel source for intestinal mucosal cells and nucleotide synthesis by lymphocytes.

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Respectfully submitted,

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USAGE: As a dietary supplement, take 2 to 4 tablets daily, or as directed by your qualified health consultant.

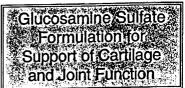
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Joint Builder\*, sodium free formula, may be taken with Jarrow Formulas' BioSil, the only biologically active form of silicon. Silicon enhances collagen and cartilage integrity.

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Dietary Supplement 120 Quik-Solv™ Tablets

### Supplement Facts

Serving Size 2 Tablets

|  | Amount Per<br>Two Tablets | % Daily<br>Value |
|--|---------------------------|------------------|
| Glucosamine Suffate<br>(from 2000 mg 2GS•2KCI) | 1,500 mg                  |                  |
| MSM (Methylsulfonylmethane)                    | 500 mg                    |                  |
| Manganese (as Gluconate)                       | 1 mg                      | 50%              |
| /itamin C (Calcium Ascorbate)                  | 100 mg                    | 167%             |
| Vitamin D3 (Cholecalciferol)                   | 100 IU                    | 253              |

Other Ingredients: Calcium phosphate, cellulose, stearic acid, magnesium stearate, modified cellulose gum, sllica. Quik-Solvm tablets disintegrate within several minutes after ingestion.

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Lot #. Best Used Before:



SUGGESTED USAGE: As a dietary supplement, take 1 to 4 tablets up to twice daily, or as directed by your qualified health consultant.

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Each L-Glutamine 1000 tablet contains L-GLUTAMINE . . . . . . 1,000 mg

Pure, Pharmaceutical Grade Suitable for Vegetarians

Contains NO soy, wheat, yeast, dairy, artificial flavor, color, preservative, or oth common allergen. Excipients: Cell flose (filler) and magnesium stearate (lubricant

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